

**FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
TRINITY SUNDAY  
Memorial Day Weekend  
MORNING WORSHIP ~ 8:45 & 11:00 A.M.**

**THE ORDER OF WORSHIP**

*The service of worship begins with the music.*

*Through its power and brilliance may you feel the majesty of  
God, in its quietness, God's peace.*

**~ WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD ~**

**\*\*WELCOME, REGISTRATION, ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*(Please sign the attendance sheet and pass  
it to the end of the pew for usher pickup.)*

**THE PRELUDE** Ryland Brown

**\*THE CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

**\*PRESENTATION OF THE COLORS**

8:45 am Danny Dobbs 11:00 am Toby Hunter

**\*HYMN NO. 437** "This is My Song" FINLANDIA

*(This song is sung in memory of all who have died  
in pursuit of justice and peace in the armed forces.)*

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** "Memorial Day Prayer"

Leader: Lord Jesus, you are King of Kings and Lord of  
Lords.

**People: You are our captain in the well fought fight.**

Leader: We give you thanks for those who have risked  
their lives and have died that others may be free.

**People: We confess that we too often have thought  
only of what our country can do for us and  
not what we can do for others.**

Leader: Inspire us, Lord, by the selfless acts of those we  
remember today,

**People: and by the example of Jesus Christ who died  
that all may have new life,**

Leader: that we may give of ourselves that others may  
live free.

**People: In Christ's name we pray. Amen.**

**\*THE NICENE CREED 880**

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker  
of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of  
God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from  
God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;**

through him all things were made. For us and for  
our salvation he came down from heaven, was  
incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and  
became truly human. For our sake he was crucified  
under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was  
buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance  
with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is  
seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come  
again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and  
his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with  
the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in the one holy catholic\* and apostolic  
church. We acknowledge one baptism for the  
forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of  
the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

\*universal

**\*THE GLORIA PATRI NO. 70**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy  
Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall  
be, world without end. Amen. Amen.**

**THE MORNING PRAYER**

*(Leader: Lord, in your mercy.*

*People Respond: Hear our prayer.)*

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** *(prayed together)*

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy  
name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth  
as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who  
trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**UNITED MINISTRIES INTERN SEND OFF**

Katherine Armstrong

Rachel Lawrence

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION** Rev. Rosanna Anderson

**Holy Lord, the whole earth is full of your glory! We  
are in awe of your majesty. In great kindness, you  
reveal yourself as the One who forgives us. You give  
us gifts and invite us to go into the world to tell your  
good news. Help us to respond in faith and go where  
you lead us each day. We dedicate our gifts so that  
our community will draw closer to you. Amen.**

**THE GIVING OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR  
OFFERINGS**

**THE OFFERTORY** by John Carter

"Come, Holy Spirit Like the Wind"

The Chancel Choir

**\*THE DOXOLOGY NO 94** LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God,  
all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Praise God, the source of all our gifts;**

**praise Jesus Christ, whose power up-lifts! Praise the  
Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**~ WE HEAR GOD'S WORD ~**

**\*HYMN OF PREPARATION NO. 431** WORLD PEACE

"Let There Be Peace on Earth"

**THE CHILDREN'S TIME** Ruth Hughes

**SCRIPTURE READING** John 3:1-17 NT-93

<sup>3</sup>Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see  
the kingdom of God with being born from above."

**THE MESSAGE** "Being Born Over"

Rev. Alex Stevenson

**~ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ~**

**\*HYMN NO. 64** "Holy, Holy, Holy!" NICAEA

**\*BENEDICTION**

Leader: At Aldersgate we are ...

**People: Hearts on Fire ... Seeking, Sharing,  
Serving ... For God!**

**\*THE CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

**\*THE POSTLUDE** Ryland Brown

*\*Congregation will please stand as able.*

*Our service of worship has ended.*

*Let our worship through service begin.*

**THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR ARE TO THE GLORY**  
of God and in memory of those who served and are no longer  
with us.

**MEMORIAL DAY MEMORABILIA** – Make sure you make  
your way out into the Commons and see the pictures and items  
brought in honor of the men and women in service. Thank you  
for your sacrifice!

**PEACE WITH JUSTICE SUNDAY-** On *Sunday, June 3* we will receive the annual **Peace with Justice Sunday Offering!** This special offering supports peace and justice ministries locally and around the world. Please prayerfully consider giving a little extra to this offering. For more information go to [www.umcsgiving.org](http://www.umcsgiving.org) and click on “Churchwide Special Sundays” and then “Peace with Justice Sunday.”

**TODAY IS TRINITY SUNDAY!** The Bible reveals that there is one God in three persons - Father, Son and Holy Spirit. This is the doctrine of the Trinity. Since the earliest days of the church, the first Sunday after Pentecost has been set aside for a celebration of the triune nature of God. Incidentally Trinity Sunday falls in the middle of the Christian year. Perhaps this is an expression of the fact that God in all three persons - not just Father or Son or Holy Spirit - is at the center of our faith. The traditional color for Trinity Sunday is white as a symbol of the holiness of God. In fact, at one time Trinity Sunday was called “Whitsunday” because of the use of the color white.

### PRAYER CONCERNS

**As of printing Thursday, May 24, 2018:**

**Home:** Alton Durham, Beth Rambo, Tom Barnhill, Freida Parker, Pete & Martha Hendrix, Peggy Miller, Ann Armstrong, Annette McDuffee, Marge Hoagland, Carole Dansby, Vanessa Holmstrand, Linda McDaniel

**Brookdale @ Hawthorne:** Nita Bearden

**Cascades:** Patti Whelchel **Rock Hill /Daughter:** Bill Taylor

**Mt. Pleasant, SC:** Florence Hale **Myrtle Beach, SC:** Randy Hale

**Haywood Estates:** Ann Linse **NHC Mauldin:** Atrice Hughey

**Waterstone:** Phil & Jennie Ruth Waynick

**Westminster Senior Living at Augusta Place:** Melba Poole

**Rolling Green:** Wayne Rowan, Wilma Tiedeman

**Mt. Home Health/Rehab, NC:** Nancy Reitz

### CALENDAR

**Sunday, May 27, 2018**

8:45 am & 11:00 am Worship

9:45 am Sunday School

**Monday, May 28, 2018-Memorial Day (Church Office Closed)**

6:30 pm Financial Peace – Library

**Tuesday, May 29, 2018:**

6:30 am Men of Integrity – Broadway Bagels

7:00 pm Boy Scouts @ The House

**Wednesday, May 30, 2018:**

10:00 am Pastor’s Bible Study – Mac Vinson Companions Class

7:15 pm Choir Practice – Choir Room

**Thursday, May 31, 2018:**

5:30 am Men’s Study – Mac Vinson Companions Class

7:00 pm Ramadan Dinner – Parker Hall

### ATTENDANCE

**May 20, 2018**

**Sunday School – 161      Worship - 278**

### TITHES & OFFERINGS

*Worship the Lord through giving.*

2018 Average Weekly Budget	\$ 15,498.09
2018 Average Weekly Giving	\$ 13,951.25
Previous Weeks General Fund Giving	\$ 10,518.83
2018 Avg. General Fund Weekly Expenses	\$ 14,760.13

### E-GIVING QR CODE



### SERVING TODAY

**Lay Readers:** 8:45am Wendy Davis    11:00am Pastor Alex

**Greeters:**            8:45am Suzanne Haney

   11:00 am Mary & Jerry Thomas

**Acolytes:** 8:45 am Ansley Addis    11:00 am Anna Kate Schemm

**Crucifer:** 11:00 am Reid Schemm

**Usher Captains:** 8:45 am Brad Smoak    11:00 am Rick Lankford

**Ushers:** 8:45 am Scott Bagley, Trevor King, Mark Wessel

11:00 am Doug Patrick, Coley Altman, Gray Walsh,

Grant Lankford

### MINISTRY STAFF

The Rev. Alex Stevenson, Pastor (**ext. 207**)

Johannah Myers, Director of Christian Formation (**ext. 211**)

Ruth Hughes, Director of Children’s & Leisure Min. (**ext. 204**)

Dr. Grant Knox, Dir. of Music (**ext. 208**)

Ryland Brown, Musician

Jennifer Nelson, Director, Child Development Center (**ext. 202**)

Josh Consalvo, Director of Youth (**ext. 212**)

Susan Hamilton, Office Manager/Communications (**ext. 210**)

Cameron Vaughn, Financial Secretary (**ext. 206**)

### MINISTERS – THE CONGREGATION

#### CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday: 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Friday: 9:00-Noon

Phone: 864/244-1820 Fax: 864/244-9701

Child Development Center...864/268-5028

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### MISSION STATEMENT

... We are called to make disciples by embracing all people with God’s love in Christ and equipping each other for service to God and His world.

### VISION STATEMENT

*Hearts on Fire...Seeking, Sharing, Serving...For God!* 

# *Welcome to*

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**WORSHIP SERVICES**

**8:45 am & 11:00 am**

**May 27, 2018**

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**Open hearts...Open minds...Open doors  
The people of The United Methodist Church**

*A Stephen Ministry Congregation*